Management" are to be offered in Hindi also for January, 1997 batch. Also, the programme of "Bachelor in Computer Applications" is now being offered partly in Hindi.

Sale and Purchase of Children

3762. SHRI RAMESHWAR PATIDAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the rise in cases of sale/purchase of children;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to check it;

(c) whether the Government propose to formulate a concrete policy in this regard;

(d) whether in view of recently held World Summit on Child Welfare and Global Declaration on protection of the lives of the children and their development, the Government have formulated any comprehensive National Programme for Children as a follow up action; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI): (a) No Sir. This information is not being centrally maintained.

(b) to (e). The Government has formulated a comprehensive National Policy on Children which also provides for the protection of children against neglect, cruelty and exploitation. As a follow up of the World Summit on Children and its declared Plan of Action, a National Plan of Action was drawn up in 1992 for the survival, protection and development of children. The National Plan of Action for Children is monitored on a regular basis by an Inter Ministerial Coordination Committee. Laws and legislations relating to the welfare and well being of children are also reviewed from time to time to provide for a conducive environment for child development and protection.

Reservation of Seats in Schools for Deaf Children

3763. SHRI PANKAJ CHOWDHARY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any reservation of seats for the deaf children at the time of admission in Government schools;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAKIA): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[English]

Privatisation of Bridges/Bypasses and Expressways

3764. SHRI SANAT MEHTA:
SHRI SULTAN SALAHUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be placed to state:

(a) the bridges, bypasses and expressways which have been identified for being taken under private sector, State-wise;

(b) the estimated expenditure to be incurred on each project; and

(c) the present status of each project?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN): (a) to (c). A statement is enclosed.

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Sl. No.	Project	State	Present Status	Estimated Cost (Rs. in Crores)
1.	Thane-Bhiwandi bypass	Maharashtra	Work in progress	17.00
2.	Udaipur bypass	Rajasthan	Agreement signed recently	24.00
3.	Hubli Dharwar bypass	Karnataka	Bids received	40.00